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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

The United States was built upon fair competition in the marketplace and internet and telephone providers is another opportunity where this competition should be expanded. In our location, we have too little choice already. Many of us are retired and on limited incomes, so price hikes are not likely to be popular with us.

We prefer the broadband fiber optic choice over DSL - much more reliable and provides greater speed. It is critical to our connection with the world outside.

We left a larger company several years ago to be with a smaller company which provides improved service and less cost.

Please consider our request seriously for continuing to allow expanded competition in a country founded on freedom, not limitations.

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